

Joshua Bennett, on Behalf of Residents, Tells of Bursting of Dam.

NEGLIGENCE IS CLAIMED.

Houses Washed Away, Horses, Cattle And Poultry Are Drowned in The Flood Waters.

The "News" is in receipt of the following communication from residents of Deseret, Millard county, relative to the recent breaking of the dams of the irrigation reservoirs and the flood ing of the district. The letter is dated at Deseret, June 17, and, is as follows: "Editor Deseret Evening News:--

In reading the account of the going out of the dams in your issue of June 15, and at the request of a number of residents of Deseret, I write to cor-rect some misleading information given your informant and to give you the facts as they happened in the late disaster to this district.

DAMAGE TO STOCK.

disater to this district. DAMAGE TO STOCK. The the first place, some time in the first place, some time in the first of the 14th inst, what is known as the Burtner dam situated seven or eight miles above the Deseret Irrigation company's reservoir, which was already full, caused the water to run over what is known as the Cropper eit, which had been strengthened sufficiently to hold the waters in the Deseret reservoir. The flood waters filled the bed of the Seveir river and the river in consequence overflowed its banks, drowning a number of horses and cattle that could not get out of the way of the water. The flume that crosses the river supplying the town of Deseret lying east of the river, was washed out. The flume struck the bridge across the river at the point dividing the four precincts of Hinck-fee prover, Oasis and Burtner, swepting everything before it. The residence of Mohonri M. Bishop, to gether with corral, sheds, turkeys, chickens, pigs, etc. was swept away, also many tons of lucerne hay in the residence of Mohonri M. Bishop, to set the walls of the home of J. H. Kinder were undermined and fell in breaking up furniture and other atticles. The house of Mrs. Allce Western also fell, and another house belonging to John W. Reed was washed away. In Deseret the home of John be ast side in Oasis, a house belonging to John W. Reed was washed away. In Deseret the home of Johnsen M. Deseret in Coasis, and the mean file of the bridge out the worker is the longing to Joseph Benneit, a saloon, the hotel belonging to John W. Reed was washed away. In Deseret the homes of Joseph W. Damron, Sr., a house being the Joseph Benneit, a saloon, the hotel belonging to John W. Reed was washed away. In Deseret the homes of Joseph W. Damron, Sr., a house being the town of the tork was bridge, washing the bridge out, which floated down stream. The beseret meetinghouse and the homes of year and at where the river, lodged against the Deseret meeting buse and the homes of the severe meetinghouse and the homes of the sest and the

CATTLE MIRED.

The waters as they passed down the valley spread over a vast area of land, and it is feared caused the death of hundreds of head of horses and cattle, the country being so soft that they would mire down and not be able to extricate themselves, and thus starve to death. A number of families were com-pelled to move to higher places. The



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ditions existing allowed him to find out for himself by seeing the rise of water. He immediately went to work about 4 o'clock in the morning, pulling about 4 object in the interms, particular nais, and also with what help he could get removing gates out of the spillway of the Deserte company reservoir, but the water get down on to them before this could be done. If all the gates had been removed it would base very likely been removed it would have very likely drawn sufficient water to have saved the Cropper cut fill, thus saving all the the cropper cut fill, thus saving all the Deseret Irrigation company's losses as well as the homes and property of those that are now suffering. It is now re-ported that it is the intention of the Burtner company and others to pro-ceed at once to repair the break. A meeting of the citizens of Deseret has been called and a committee amounted been called and a committee appointed to consult with the officers and those interested in the rebuilding and invite them to visit the country damaged, and also notify them that those likely to be affected, and living along the line below these reservoirs, will make applica-tion to the courts for an injunction to be placed upon them, to save us from further danger from this source.

Trusting you will publish this we re-main yours respectfully, JOSHUA BENNETT.



Dealers Blame the Public for No. Buying Enough to Justify

Storage. Rate.

The price of coal is to be restored to \$5.75 per ton, according to a state-ment given out last evening by some of the coal dealers of the city. The advanced rate took effect this morn-ing, and means that the summer storadvanced rate took effect this morn-ing, and means that the summer stor-age rate which was inaugurated June 1, will be abolished before having been in effect a single month. There are two classes of coal on the market, and that coming from the Wyoming mines has sold regularly for \$5.75 per ton, while what is known as Utah coal has sold for \$5.50. These coals, during the 18 days in which the re-duced rate has been in effect, were both sold for \$5 per ton. As to the reason for the sudden ter-mination of the reduced rate, some dealers have stated that it was be-cause there was insufficient patronage to justify selling the coal at that rate any longer, and that the difference in the quantity sold did not justify the reduction in price. An attache of the western Fuel Co, however, when queried this morning as to the reason for reduction said: "I do not care to state the reason. Some of the other companies, who like to see their names

WEATHER FORECAST.

Fair.

TODAY'S TEMPERATURES.



HE DOES NOT LIKE ALIMONY

Asks That It Be Denied Her for Her self or Child-Makes Many Charges.

James F. Kelly not only seeks a di vorce from his wife, Mrs. Atla Ellis Kelly, but he objects to her retaining his name and asks the court to restore her to her maiden name, in a complaint filed this morning in the Third district court. For more than a year, he says, she has refused to live with him. Before she deserted him he says that she abused him, calling him vile names and nagged at him continually. From the time of their marriage he says that he time of their marriage he says that he never enjoyed any peace in his home. They were married at Tooele City, on May 14, 1908. There are no children as a result of the marriage, but his wife has a child by a former marriage. He also asks the court that she be denied alimony for herself or the support of the child which is now living with her.

THREE-PLY COMPLAINT.

Mrs. Sarah Cahoon Charges Her Husband With Many Shortcomings. Mrs. Sarah Cahoon makes charges of on-support, extreme cruelty and ha-

non-support, extreme cruelty and ha-bitual drunkenness against her hus-band, Hyrum Cahoon, in a complaint for divorce filed yesterday in the Third district court. She asks for the cus-tody of their minor child and an in-terest in the estate left to him by his mother, which is valued at \$1,200. They were married here on March 2, 1901. For the past two years, she says, Cahoon has failed to support her and has been a heavy drinker for sev-eral years. In addition she says Ca-hoon mistreated her and the child.

FOUR INSANE HEARINGS. One Patient Bites Finger of His Keep-

er on Way to Court. Four insane persons were brought before Judge Lewis this morning for examination. August Källisch, a Ger-man, 30 years old, was the first patient who was brought into court. While being taken to court he fought Jaller Joseph Burbidge and Deputy Sheriff Peter Johnson. Before they succeeded in snapping hand-cuffs on him, he chewed Johnson's finger. The wound was immediately dressed and the physicians say he will have no trouble from it. He was committed to the physicians say he will have no trouble from it. He was committed to the state mental hospital for treatment. Mrs. Martha W. Townsend, the sis-ter of "Billy" Turpin, was also order-ed to the insane asylum. She has been falling in health for several years and of late has wandered away from home

Robert Veakey, who has been ex-amined twice before, convinced the court this morning that he was not court this morning that he was not insane. He was suffering from an at-tack of delirium tremens and has been at the hospital for several days, where he fully recovered. John A. Leak was questioned by the lunacy commission this morning but was discharged. He was suffering from nervous troubles:

GITZHOFFEN CASE AGAIN.

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sentation. In April of last year, R. V. Hanson, C. J. Potts, John J. Thueson, and F. B. Scott took a lease on the Fields apartment house on east First South street, and turned it into the Savoy hotel. Leggett was interested in the proposition and invested \$1,000. He was made manuger of the hotel. Leg-gett declares that his partners did not tell him that there was a mortgage of \$2,000 on the furniture and that the business was only worth \$1,000. In his suit he seeks to recover his \$1,000. The answer sets Yorth that Leggett ruined the business, and asks for \$5,000 for Leggett's incompetency.

for Leggett's incompetency. Leggett was twice a candidate on the Socialist ticket last fall. Scott, Thue-son and Hanson were also candidates on the same ticket. GREEK ESCAPES ONE CHARGE.

Chilames Squirms Out of Assault With Deadly Weapon.

In a two hours' hearing before Judge Bowman this morning "Jim" Chilames, a Greek, succeeded in squirming out of a charge of assault with a deadly weap-on, only to fall into the lesser charge of assault and battery. To escape the heavier charge the Greek and his witnesses proved that he had been guilty of assault

The complainant in the case was W. C. Griffin, and disparaging remarks concerning the Greeks alleged to have been made by Griffin lay at the bottom of the case. Griffin said that he had been called into the Greek restaurant operated by Chilames and after being accused of having "said bad things against the Greeks," he was assaulted with the there is a know After and threatened with a knife. After boing struck three times he field from the restaurant. The Greek and his witnesses all bore evidence to the fact of the assault except that no kulle had been used, and the confession was freely made that Griffin had been struck because he had denounced the

Chilames, although found not guilty of the charge of assault with a deadly weapon, is still held under the original bonds, pending the filing of a complaint charging him with assault and battery

NEW INCORPORATIONS.

The Provo lodge No. 849 of the Benvolent and Protective Order of Elks, filed a copy of its articles of incorporation today with the secretary of state. The officers of the organization are: Ben L. Cchwab, exaited ruler; L. J. Healy, secretary; Josiah Beck, George E. Ross and John Homer, trustees.

THE IDAHO CAPITOL PLAN.

Register John Burke of the United States Land office in South Dakota

is in the city visiting with Glen Miller. He tells an interesting with Gien All-ler. He tells an interesting story of how the state by constitutional provi-sion forbade the sale of any of the state lands for less than \$10 per acre. This policy has resulted in the ac-cumulation of such an immense fund that the state has been able easily to build a \$7,000,000 state capitol with-out taxing the people.

BURLINGTON SHOWS HAND.

Colorado & Southern Asks for Franchise to Build Through Chyenne.

(Special Correspondence.) Leaves With Prisoner—United States Marshal L. H. Smith will leave for Leavenworth, Kansas, at noon to-morrow, having in charge Dan Tsose. the Indian boy, who was yesterday sentenced to imprisonment in the Federal prison at that place for the term of ten years, for the murder of four Indians of the Navajo tribe near Aneath. Utah. Cheyenne, Wyo., June 18.—The Colo-rado & Southern and Burlington com-pany tipped its hand last night and confirmed frequent reports in these discommence incluent reports in these ins-patches that the company will build through the city and connect its Chey-enne & Northern, and Holdredge-Chey-enne lines, when Right-of-way Agent McMurray of the C. & S., applied for a franchise to construct tracks across caritol evenue the present terminal of capitol avenue, the present terminal of the Holdredge-Cheyenne line, and Fer-guson, Eddy, Thomas, O'Neil and Bent

MOTTS Family Reumon—Prepara-tions are under way for the annual reunion of the Morris family and descendants of the late Elias Morris which will be held June 30, at the residence of George M. Cannon at Forest Dale, Committees on program, refreshments, etc., are now hard at work and indications are that there will be close upon 100 present streets to Reed street. The company has purchased property abutting on the south side of the alley between Sixteenth and Fifteenth streets, and if the franchise is granted will build immediately. And if the



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pelled to move to higher places. The bishop's house and store were in dan-ger and surrounded, and he was com-pelled to move his family into his granary that stands upon piling about three feet high, it is still feared that other buildings or the inside walls of those that are lined with adobes will yet fall, if the wind that is now blow-ing continues. It is not possible at the present writing to estimate the value of, or amount of damage that has ac-tually been sustained as the waters partied with them a great amount of fine sand that has been deposited upon a great deal of the land, and channels and ditches that have been cut through ditch banks and other improvements ditch banks and other improvement washed away.

HEADGATES CLOSED.

From reliable information we learn that all of this has been caused by the closing down of the headgates at the head of the Burther canal and not



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state the reason. Some of the other companies, who like to see their names in the paper, may probably explain the reason." The fact remains, how-ever that the price of coal has ad-vanced, and the summer storage rate no longer exists. Third Time on Supreme Court Docket, It is Continued.

After having gone to the supreme court twice, the case of Frank Gitzhof-fen against the Holy Cross hospital which has been on trial for the third time in Judge Ritchie's court, was continued today without date. It is understood that a settlement is about to understood that a settlement is about to be reached. In the first place Judge Ritchie erred in instructing the jury which returned a verdict in favor of the hospital and it was reversed by the supreme court. When the case was remanded to the lower court again, a verdict of \$8,000 was obtained by the plaintiff. Judge Ritchle set this aside and it went to the higher court again where it was reversed. The third trial has consumed two days and from the action of the attorneys in the case a settlement has almost been reached. The suit was brought to recover \$20,000 for the loss of the plaintiffs eyes. He was afflict-ed with an infectious disease and de-dares that the sisters were negligent n their treatment of the case.

ROW OVER CHICKENS.

The memory of Mrs. Agnes Wells, of 75 west Eighth South street was so rall when she appeared on the witness tand in Judge Bowman's court yesterday afternoon, as complaining witness against Fred Peterson that at the conclusion of her testimony the defendconclusion of ner testimony the defend-ant was promptly discharged. Peter-son was charged by Mrs. Wells with having disturbed the peace by calling her "a lot of bad names," but on the stand she could not recall just what he had said. The trial so far as it went had the color of the usual neighrhood row over chickens.

RULING ON COURT COSTS.

In a decision handed down yesterday by Judge John A. Marshall of the fed-eral court, it was held that an item of \$232.20, incurred by the United States marshal's office in the suit against the Utah Fuel company, should not be paid by the Fuel company because it was incurred by the marshal in se-ourder witnesses before the company curing witnesses before the company nal been indicted.

SOCIALISM RUINED HOTEL.

io Say Partners of Leggett in Answer Filed in District Court.

While trying to convert his guests to Socialism, Robert E. Leggett ruined his hotel business and drove his guests away, according to an answer filed yes-terday in the Third district court by his business associates, Leggett filed suit against the company of which he

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franchise is granted, the company an-nounces, it will at once build from Wellington, Colo., to Cheyenne, and from Orin Junction to Thermopolis, and thereby connect up and complete its Gulf of Mexico-Puget sound continental

railway. Cheyenne is to be a division point. This franchise was denied the Burlington many years ago, but the Chey-enese are now ripe for the movement and the city council will be forced to grant the franchise even though the Union Pacific is doing everything pos-sible to prevent it.

BUSINESS AND REALTY

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last year.

ment house.

Blast Old News Building-Blasting was resorted to by the contractor yesterday afternoon in demolishing the old building of the Deseret News. The structure was so solidly constructed and enduring that more than custo-mary means had to be resorted to in order to destroy it. The unusual polse order to destroy it. The unusual noise attracted a good deal of attention in the neighborhood, and stirred up immense clouds of dust.

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